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For: DUAL-ZONED ABSORBENT
WEBS

Terminal Disclaimer

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Sir:

The Present Application

1. Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., doing business at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin, 54956, is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-referenced present pending U.S. patent application serial number 10/042,875 filed on January 8, 2002 for "DUAL-ZONED ABSORBENT WEBS".
2. Assignment of the inventors' rights in present patent application serial number 10/042,875 to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. is evidenced by an assignment document which has been recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 8914, Frame 0535.

Commonly Assigned Patent

1. Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. is also the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to copending U.S. patent number 5,990,377 issued on November 23, 1999 for "DUAL-ZONED ABSORBENT WEBS".
2. Assignment of the inventors' rights in U.S. patent number 5,990,377 to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. is evidenced by an assignment document which has been recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 8914, Frame 0535.

Right of Assignee to Prosecute

Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. certifies:

- (a) that the evidentiary documents have been reviewed; and
- (b) that to the best of Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc.'s knowledge and belief, title of present U.S. patent application serial number 10/042/875 is in Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc.

Terminal Disclaimer

1. Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the present U.S. patent application serial number 10/042,875, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term, including any applicable term extension, defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 156 for U.S. patent number 5,990,377.
2. Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. hereby agrees that any patent granted upon present U.S. patent application serial number 10/042,875 shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to such patent shall be the same as the legal title to U.S. patent number 5,990,377. This agreement shall run with any patent granted upon present U.S. patent application serial number 10/042,875 and shall be binding upon Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., its successors and/or assigns.

Exceptions to Terminal Disclaimer

In the event that, after the filing of this Terminal Disclaimer, U.S. patent number 5,990,377:

- (a) expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee;
- (b) is held unenforceable;
- (c) is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction;
- (d) is statutorily disclaimed in whole;
- (e) is terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a);
- (f) has all of its claims canceled in a reexamination certificate; or
- (g) is otherwise not deemed to provide the rights conveyed by 35 U.S.C. 154 prior to the expiration of its full statutory term;

Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. specifically does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the present U.S. patent application serial number 10/042,875 prior to the expiration date of the term defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 156 including any term extensions as applicable to any patent granted on U.S. patent 5,990,377.

Fee

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c)(1), please charge the \$110.00 fee due in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc.'s deposit account number 11-0875. This Terminal Disclaimer is filed in duplicate.

The undersigned is an attorney of record in the present application having serial no.10/042,875.

Respectfully submitted,
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